



Mediterranean Biome

Concept

A Mediterranean biome has characteristics that occur in select regions around the world.

Objective

Students will be able to explain the features of a Mediterranean biome and identify the global distribution of the biome.

Method

Have students work in groups to read through their handout and answer the questions on their investigation worksheet.

Materials

–Student Handout
–Student Investigation Worksheet

Duration

Up to one class session

Procedure

1. Ask the students to read the *Mediterranean Biome* handout.
2. Discuss the various characteristics of the biome.
3. Ask students to examine the map on the *2–Student Investigation Worksheet* and answer the questions.
4. Have students present their answers.
5. Discuss with the students the characteristics of a Mediterranean biome and how location and climate play a role in soil and plant life. Introduce the characteristics of fire.

Key Words

Aromatic

Dormant

Precipitation

Chaparral

Drought

Regeneration

Continent

Flammable

Degraded

Marine